

EFFECTIVE

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Subject(s)

FOM 722-03, Placement Selection and Standards

Sibling Groups

[The DHS-3, Sibling Placement Evaluation](#), is required if a new child is born into a home where one or more siblings are currently in foster care and the new child will remain in the parental home. The DHS-3, Sibling Placement Evaluation, must be approved by the CPS supervisor, if applicable, foster care supervisor, and the second line supervisor. The DHS-3, Sibling Placement Evaluation, must document how the child remaining in the home will remain safe and the plan of services for the family to maintain safety of the child in the home.

The reasons siblings cannot be placed together are to be documented in the applicable service plan, as appropriate; see [FOM 722-08, Case Service Plans - Overview, Types, and Timeframes](#). Written second line supervisory approval is required for a placement which separates or maintains separation of siblings.

Reason: Correction from the Child Welfare Policy and Legislation Office.

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